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Response to Amendment

1. The reply filed on 06/18/2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): On page 1, applicant instructs the PTO to amend claims 33 and 45 but on page 2, applicant instructs the PTO to cancel claims 38-49, and 54. Further, as a result of the cancellation of claim 44, claim 64 depends from a cancelled claim [44]. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Aaron J. Lewis whose telephone number is (703) 308-0716.

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